

Amended claims (PCT/SE99/02086)

1. An absorbent product such as a sanitary towel, incontinence protection or protection for briefs, which product (1; 18) has an elongate shape with a longitudinal direction (8) and a transverse direction (9), an upper side (10) and a lower side (11), and has a first end portion (6) intended to face forwards on the wearer and a second end portion (7) intended to face backwards on the wearer, and wherein the first end portion (6) has greater width than the second end portion (7) and the width of the second end portion (7) of the product is 40 mm maximum, characterised in that the long sides (2, 3) of this end portion (7) are essentially arcuate and curved inwards towards the longitudinal centre line (8) of the product; and in that the angle (ν) between an end line (X), which runs in the transverse direction of the product and tangent to the edge (5) of its second end portion (7), and a side line (N), drawn between a first point (P), which forms the intersection between one long side (2) of the product and a straight line (B) running in the transverse direction of the product at a distance of 80 mm from said end line (X), and a second point (Q) at the point where the curvature of said long side (2) changes direction near said end edge (5) or with unchanged curvature direction intersects end edge (5), lies between 95° and 110°.

2. Absorbent product according to Claim 1, characterised in that the width of the second end portion (7) is 20-40 mm.

3. Absorbent product according to Claim 1, characterised in that the width of the second end portion (7) is 20-30 mm.

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4. Absorbent product according to any one of Claims 1-3, characterised in that the length of the product (1; 18) is 150 mm or smaller.

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5. Absorbent product according to any one of Claims 1-4, characterised in that the lower side (11) of the product is fitted with fastening means (15; 15a, 15b, 15c),

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cont.* which extend in a strip-shaped manner in the longitudinal direction of the product parallel with its longitudinal centre line (8).

6. Absorbent product according to Claim 5, characterised in that the product has three fastening strips, comprising a central fastening strip (15a), which extends along the longitudinal centre line (8) over essentially the entire length of the product, and two further fastening strips (15b, 15c) which are arranged one on each side thereof and at a distance therefrom and the extent of which lies within the first, front end portion (6) of the product.

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